## Resolution 2006-74 Recognizing Ward 5 Councilmember Marc Elrich

WHEREAS, Marc Elrich was elected to the Takoma Park City Council in November 1987 as the representative for Ward 5; and,

**WHEREAS,** in his almost two decades on the Takoma Park City Council; Councilmember Elrich has actively worked for the betterment of both Ward 5 and the greater Takoma Park community, consistently demonstrating a "big picture" approach in addressing public policy issues; and,

**WHEREAS**, as a senior member of the Takoma Park City Council, Councilmember Elrich has worked to forge consensus on contentious issues; and,

**WHEREAS,** Councilmember Elrich supported efforts to preserve and protect land as open space for the Takoma Park community, including the "Pringle Property" adjacent to Sligo Creek Park; and,

**WHEREAS,** Councilmember Elrich has been a progressive voice on local and national issues, consistently looking out for the interests of the poor, new immigrants, and others most in need of the City's concern and attention; and,

WHEREAS, throughout his tenure, Councilmember Elrich has been a strong proponent for the preservation of affordable housing in Takoma Park, recognizing the benefits of having a diverse community; and,

**WHEREAS,** Councilmember Elrich has been a strong voice for comprehensive solutions to the metropolitan area's transportation issues, advocating for investment in mass transit including the Purple Line and enhanced Metro and Ride-On Services; and,

**WHEREAS,** Councilmember Elrich has consistently worked to make Takoma Park government available, open, and transparent to the community, recognizing that these attributes are essential in maintaining public trust; and,

**WHEREAS**, on November 7, 2006, Councilmember Elrich was elected to serve on the Montgomery County Council and will assume this position on December 4, 2006; and;

**WHEREAS**, Councilmember Elrich has submitted his resignation from the Takoma Park City Council effective December 3, 2006.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND hereby recognizes the contributions that Councilmember Marc Elrich has made to the City of Takoma Park during his many years of service; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Councilmember Elrich's s experience, energy, and leadership will be missed in Takoma Park but these qualities will serve him well as he represents Takoma Park and the rest of Montgomery County as an At-Large County Council Member.

Adopted this 27<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2006.

Kathryn H. Porter	
Mayor	